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**Tejinder Singh** (advocate),  
Civil Court, Tehsil Complex,  
Backside Sanjh Kender, Phillaur,  
District Jalandhar – 141123

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate,  
Mansa.  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Sub Divisional Magistrate, Mansa.

## **Appeal Case No. 2792 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent  
Gurkirat Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 84373-00494

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier orders on 11.9.19 and 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **16.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding the RTI register, penalties imposed by the State Information Commission, TA claimed by staff for visits to the SIC in Chandigarh etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **1.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent for the third successive time without any intimation to this Commission. The respondent PIO, represented by Gurkirat Singh, Clerk, has requested one more adjournment in this appeal case. He stated that there has been a bereavement in the PIO's family, which is why he couldn't be present at this hearing. It is notable here, that the PIO was issued Show Cause notice and granted an opportunity to be heard in person, at the last hearing on 9.10.19.

3. While ordinarily, the PIO's continuing absence today would have been a fitting occasion to impose a penalty on him, Given the circumstances the Commission has been apprised of, he is granted one final opportunity to submit a written reply to the appellant's RTI application as well as the Show Cause notice issued by this Commission.

4. **Next hearing on 15.1.20 at 11.00 am.**

Sd/-

**(ASIT JOLLY)**

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**Gurmej Lal,**  
# 6375, Street No. 16,  
Guru Gobind Singh Nagar (backside Bachan Gas Agency),  
PO Daba, District Ludhiana.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Commissioner Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Commissioner Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

## **Appeal Case No. 2823 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Raj Kumar, PIO-Cum-Head Draftsman (Respondent) 98142-45582

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **18.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding an old complaint**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **24.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation to this Commission. The respondent PIO-cum-HDM, Raj Kumar, has submitted that the information was sent to the appellant by Registered Post on 4.10.19. He also stated that the appellant has not pointed out any deficiencies in the information sent to him.

3. The appellant is absent for the second time in succession without any intimation to this Commission. Under the circumstances this Commission is compelled to presume that the appellant is no longer interested in pursuing this appeal case, which is, herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-  
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Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Commissioner Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Commissioner Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

## **Appeal Case No. 2824 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Raj Kumar, PIO-Cum-Head Draftsman (Respondent) 98142-45582

Chander Parkash, Draftsman (for the Respondent) 92175-37675

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **29.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding an old complaint by one A.S. Dhamotia**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation to this Commission. The respondent PIO represented by Chander Parkash, Draftsman, has submitted that the requested information was sent to the appellant on 26.9.19 by speed post and the appellant has not reverted or has pointed out any deficiency.

3. At the last hearing of this case on 9.10.19, the appellant was given one final opportunity to be heard in person. He has failed to avail of that opportunity, whereby this Commission is compelled to presume that the appellant is no longer interested in pursuing this appeal case, which is, herewith **CLOSED**.

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**Sarabjeet Singh Gill,**  
# 60-35-P-376-1, Steet No.8,  
Maha Singh Nagar,  
PO Dhandari Kalan,  
Ludhiana – 141 014.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana

## **Appeal Case No. 2825 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Chander Parkash, Draftsman (for the Respondent) 92175-37675

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **18.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding an old complaint by one A.S. Dhamotia**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **22.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent for the second successive time without any intimation to this Commission. The respondent PIO, represented by Chander Parkash, Draftsman, has submitted that the appellant was informed on 4.10.19 that the file pertaining to which, he had sought information was “in movement”. However, he has brought original file to this hearing and stated that he is willing to furnish copies of whatever documents the appellant requires.

3. The appellant, however, is absent for second time without communicating any reason for being unable to attend hearings of appeal case. Under the circumstances, this Commission is compelled to presume that the appellant is no longer interested in pursuing this appeal case, which is, herewith **CLOSED**.

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Ludhiana – 141 014.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Commissioner, Municipal Corporation, Ludhiana

## **Appeal Case No. 2826 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent

Raj Kumar, PIO-Cum-Head Draftsman (Respondent) 98142-45582

Chander Parkash, Draftsman (for the Respondent) 92175-37675

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **13.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information regarding a number of old complaints**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **14.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent without any intimation to this Commission. The respondent PIO-Cum-Head Draftsman, Raj Kumar, has submitted that the remaining information was sent by Registered Post on 11.10.19 and the appellant has neither reverted nor pointed out any deficiency.

3. The appellant's absence for the second successive time without any intimation, compels this Commission to presume that he is no longer interested in pursuing this appeal case, which is, herewith **CLOSED**.

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**Taranjit Singh,**  
# 33, Adarsh Nagar Tarehti,  
PO Shahpurkandi, Pathankot.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.

## **Appeal Case No. 2827 of 2019**

PRESENT:

Taranjit Singh (Appellant)  
Ashok Kumar, Clerk (for the Respondent) 94172-05434

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **16.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information pertaining to a CrPC complaint against himself and others**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.5.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.
2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by Ashok Kumar, Clerk, has submitted that a copy of the file pertaining to which, information was sought, was supplied to the appellant twice, on 13.11.19 and 21.11.19.
3. The appellant however, contends that the information furnished is still deficient. The information requested at point No.1 is incomplete and that at point No. 2 (of the RTI application) has not been supplied. The respondent however, stated that there is nothing else on record with respect to the appellant's RTI application.
4. The respondent PIO is directed to submit an affidavit stating his aforesaid contention.
5. **Next hearing on 15.1.20 at 1.30 pm via Video Conference.**

Sd/-  
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**Taranjit Singh,**  
# 33, Adarsh Nagar Tarehti,  
PO Shahpurkandi, Pathankot.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Deputy Commissioner, Pathankot.

## **Appeal Case No. 2828 of 2019**

PRESENT:

Taranjit Singh (Appellant)  
(Respondent) Absent

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **16.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information pertaining to two complaints**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.5.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent but he has sent a letter stating that the information was given free of cost to the appellant on 8.11.19. However, the appellant contended that the information is deficient and that he has pointed out the deficiencies to the respondent.

3. The respondent PIO is given one more opportunity to furnish remaining information as pointed out by the appellant or cite legal premise for exemption from disclosure (in writing).

4. **Next hearing on 15.1.20 at 1.30 pm via Video Conference.**

Sd/-  
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**Rahul Gupta,**  
s/o Dharampal,  
# 170, Street No. 6,  
Mohalla Hargobindpura,  
Jagraon, District Ludhiana.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Executive Officer, Nagar Council,  
Jagraon, District Ludhiana.  
**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Deputy Director, Urban Local Bodies, Ludhiana.

## **Appeal Case No. 2830 of 2019**

PRESENT:

(Appellant) Absent  
Amarpal Singh, Clerk (for the Respondent) 98558-71656

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **15.5.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information pertaining to resolutions adopted and works undertaken by the Municipal Council Jagraon during the tenure of incumbent councilor Karamjit Kainth**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **17.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **6.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. The appellant is absent for the second successive time without any intimation to the Commission. The respondent PIO, represented at this hearing by Amarpal Singh, clerk, has submitted that as per the Orders of this Commission, the appellant was invited to inspect the record in the office of the Municipal Council Jagraon on 25.10.19 and once again on 19.11.19. He has however failed to avail of the PIO's offer.

3. In view of the fact that the appellant has been consecutively absent from hearings of this case, this Commission is compelled to presume that he is no longer interested in pursuing this appeal case, which is, herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-  
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**Harmanpreet Singh,**  
s/o Avtar Singh,  
VPO Hoshiarpur,  
Tehsil Kharar, District Mohali.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Director General of Police,  
Punjab Police Headquarters,  
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

**First Appellate Authority,**  
o/o Director General of Police,  
Punjab Police Headquarters,  
Sector-9, Chandigarh.

## **Appeal Case No. 3051 of 2019**

PRESENT:

Vishal Satija, Advocate (for the Appellant)  
Purshotam Kumar, Head Constable (for the Respondent) 94171-31510

ORDER:

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 9.10.19)*

1. The RTI application is dated **27.4.19** vide which the appellant has sought **information by way of copies of appointment letters, government instructions etc.**, as enumerated in his RTI application. First appeal was filed with the First Appellate Authority (FAA) on **26.6.19** and second appeal was filed in the Commission on **21.8.19** under Section 19 of the Right to Information Act, 2005. The case was last heard on **9.10.19**.

2. Both parties are present. The appellant is represented by his lawyer, Vishal Satija. The respondent PIO, represented by Purshotam Kumar, Head Constable, has submitted that as directed by this Commission the information has been supplied to the appellant today (22.11.19). However, the appellant has stated that the information furnished is deficient. Only point a of his RTI application has been addressed and the information requested at b and c have not been given.

3. The respondent PIO is directed to furnish the remaining information at the earliest and intimate this Commission in writing.

4. **Next hearing on 18.12.19 at 11.00 am.**

Sd/-  
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**Suresh Kumar,**  
# 99, Focal Point, Modern Avenue,  
Naya Nangal,  
District Roopnagar – 140 126

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Senior Superintendent of Police,  
Roopnagar.

## **Complaint Case No. 672 of 2019**

### **PRESENT:**

Suresh Kumar (for the Complainant) 94783-84019  
Sardool Singh, ASI (for the Respondent) 98729-32659

### **ORDER:**

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 4.10.19)*

1. The complainant, **Suresh Kumar**, filed this RTI application dated **13.4.19**, and sought **information by way of a copy of his consent letter submitted to the court of the SDJM Anandpur Sahib**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **30.7.19**. This complaint case was last heard on **4.10.19**.
2. Both parties are present. The respondent PIO, represented by ASI Sardool Singh, has submitted that the requested information has been handed over to the appellant prior to this hearing. The appellant acknowledges this and stated that he is satisfied with the information furnished.
3. There is no further cause for action and this complaint case is herewith **CLOSED**.

Sd/-  
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**Tarlochan Singh,**  
s/o Mohinder Singh,  
c/o Lamba Building Material Store,  
Chowk Baba Than Singh-ji,  
Samrala Road, Ludhiana.

Versus

**Public Information Officer,**  
o/o Assistant Town Planner, Zone-A,  
Municipal Corporation,  
Ludhiana.

## **Complaint Case No. 673 of 2019**

### **PRESENT:**

Tarlochan Singh (for the Complainant) 99881-21515  
(Respondent) Absent

### **ORDER:**

*(To be read in continuity with earlier order on 4.10.19)*

1. The complainant, **Tarlochan Singh**, filed this RTI application dated **5.9.17**, and sought **information by way of a map of Property No. 2083 B, XI Ambedkar Nagar, Ludhiana**. When no information was received, the Complainant filed a complaint under Section 18 of the RTI Act, 2005 to the Commission on **1.8.19**.

2. The respondent PIO is absent without any intimation to the Commission for second time in succession. This is despite the directions to appear in person along with original record pertaining to the complainant's RTI application. This RTI application has been pending since 5.9.17 and the Commission takes a very serious view of respondent PIO's apparently deliberate attempt to withhold and deny the information requested.

3. The respondent PIO is herewith ordered to SHOW CAUSE as to why a penalty should not be imposed upon him under Section 20(1) of RTI Act, 2005, for causing wilful delay/denial of the information requested by the appellant as far back as on 5.9.17.

"In addition to the written reply, the respondent PIO is also given an opportunity under Section 20 (1) proviso there to, for a personal hearing before the imposition of such penalty on the next date of hearing. He may take note that in case he does not file his written reply and does not avail himself of the opportunity of personal hearing on the date fixed, it will be presumed that he has nothing to say and the Commission shall proceed to take further proceedings against him *ex parte*."

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4. Next hearing on 15.1.20 at 11.00 am.

(ASIT JOLLY)

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